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In re Application of :
DAVID D. SHIPP et al. : METHOD AND CIRCUIT BREAKER FOR
: REDUCING ARC FLASH DURING MAINTENANCE
: IN A LOW VOLTAGE POWER CIRCUIT
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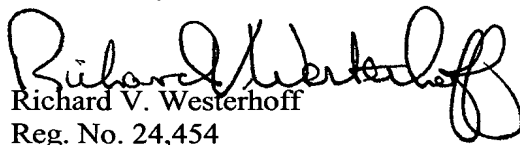
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